BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER

AGENDA REVIEW	05/23/12
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SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	ALL
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health
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SUBJECT	Approval To Enter into Enhanced Emergency Shelter Program Agreements With Four (4) Agencies to Provide Emergency Shelter to Transition-Age Youth Under The Mental Health Services Act Community Services and Supports Plan for Fiscal Years 2012-2013, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17
PROGRAM	DMH Transition Age Youth
DEADLINES	Fiscal Years (FYs) 2012-13 through FY 2016-17
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COST & FUNDING	The total annual funding available for Enhanced Emergency Shelter Program for Transition Age Youth Agreements in each Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17 shall not exceed \$605,000, fully funded with State MHSA revenue.
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Request approval to award Enhanced Emergency Shelter Program for Transition Age Youth Agreements to four (4) eligible and qualified agencies on the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Master Agreement list to provide temporary emergency shelter as well as outreach and engagement services to difficult to reach Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) and/or Severe and Persistently Mentally III (SPMI) young adults ages 18 through 25.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	Board approval of the proposed actions will ensure the provision of temporary emergency shelter as well as outreach and engagement services to difficult to reach SED/SPMI TAY who would otherwise remain unserved. In addition, approval will allow contractors to provide linkage to an array of resources that promote stability and self-sufficiency to TAY throughout Los Angeles County. Agreements authorize qualified contractors to provide shelter, food, clothing, transportation, referrals, linkage to other services and supports, counseling and lifeskills services. The EES Program services are offered on a 24-hour, seven days per week basis for up to 36 consecutive nights, but not more than 45 consecutive nights, including extensions, for qualifying TAY. The EES Program for TAY beds are purchased on an "as-needed" basis at a rate of \$85.00 per night for TAY and \$42.50 per night for approved minor children of TAY, with a two (2) child maximum. The expectation is that the maximum stay is 36 nights and that most SED/SPMI TAY will require fewer nights; each case is evaluated on an individual basis. Contract providers with EES Program TAY Agreements do not have a maximum contract amount. They will be reimbursed monthly, in arrears, based on the contract nightly rate. The County will not guarantee a specific or minimum number of client referrals or funding amount to a contractor. Since EES Program beds are purchased on an "as needed" basis, the Agreements do not contain a contract dollar amount. Under no circumstance will the total aggregate payment to all contractors be more than \$605,000 for FY 2012- 2013
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